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**Subject:** NATTRAN/SE/S247/3254 Stopping up road at Hythe Seafront, CT21

To whom it may concern,

I would like to comment regarding the stopping up of the road at Hythe seafront. I believe the proposed development itself will cause significant harm to the local environment and wildlife, impact negatively on the military canal (an ancient monument) and will not benefit the residents of Hythe. However, should the development go ahead, it would not be necessary to either realign the road nor stop it up as all the proposed buildings can be served from the existing road, and access to the beach and promenade can be easily gained via pedestrian crossings.

The closure of this road will have a massive impact on all the residents of Hythe as the traffic currently runs into Hythe along two main roads, Seabrook Road and Prince's Parade. By stopping up the road along Prince's Parade all the traffic going into Hythe will be forced along Seabrook Road. It also means that everyone trying to access the planned development and the leisure centre will be forced to travel along the Seabrook Road and Twiss Road. Twiss Road is a residential road which already requires you to pull in and let people pass as it is a narrow street. As there are also large developments proposed on the Seabrook Road, this will add more traffic. With all these factors combined the town will quickly become gridlocked, particularly in the summer months.

The realignment of the road will also have an impact - the area is currently peaceful and secluded and a range of wildlife flourishes there. Many people use this area as a leisure facility. The impact on the local environment and the canal (a designated Ancient Monument) will be devastating.

If the planning application is called in by the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, can the stopping up order to be considered at the same time?

Kind regards,

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